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2007-08 First Fridays for Families 6pm. FREE Sponsored by Home Federal Bank & Target Stores

November 2
Tales and Scales Presentation of
The Pied Piper
The Commons
Event opens with the Columbus Indiana
Philharmonic Youth Strings Program

The time-honored story of The Pied Piper is reinvented with hip-hop music, dance and poetry. In Tales & Scales, a normal town is turned upside down and a community learns the value of honesty and generosity.

December 7
Dave Rudolf
Christmas Show
The Commons

Join us for music, mirth and mayhem as Dave Rudolf takes us on a sleigh ride of songs and silliness for the Christmas Season! Rudolf's wacky tunes will get you into the holiday spirit.

January 11 (Second Friday)

Truly Remarkable Loon

Donner Center (Note Location Change)

When a performer tags himself with a name like the Truly Remarkable Loon, you would expect an interesting and eclectic show. You won't be disappointed. Loon takes juggling to a new level by tossing bean bag chairs and even his pet mongoose into the air!

February 1 The Indianapolis Opera Presents Goldilocks and the Three Bears in Outer Space Donner Center

Astronaut Goldilocks travels through space and crash lands on Planet Yogi, a once thriving habitat, and still home to the Three Bears. Pollution and global warming have ruined the planet. Will Goldilocks listen to what the Bears have to say about taking care of the environment? The audience will hear the beautiful music of Mozart's The Magic Flute, and an important message as well.



March 7
Hastey Pudding Puppets Present
By George and Everybody Else
Donner Center

This left-handed salute to American history brings us face to face with the people who made our country, what it is today and gives you a chance to get even with them for it. Expect a good time



April 4
Billy Jonas
Foundation for Youth (Note Location Change)



A Billy Jonas performance is an explosion of energy. Jonas' original pieces are played on pots, pans, guitar and just about any instruments he can find, including the audience because everyone becomes part of the performance.

DRIFTWOOD VALLEY MUSIC FESTIVAL Americana Music in the Heartland September 22 2pm to 8pm Mill Race Park

Admission: \$10 Adults \$5 Children (5 & Under)

The Arts Council partners with Tim Grimm to bring the first annual Americana roots music festival to Columbus. Don't miss Tom Paxton, Special Concensus, Steppin' in it, Carrie Newcomer & Laura Love.

Second Annual Open Iron Pour Friday, October 5 1st Street between Jackson and Washington 6pm to 9:30pm Free

The open iron pour begins around 6pm. After dark, the glowing, molten metal is drained into ladles and poured into sculptural tiles.

10<sup>th</sup> Annual Empty Bowls Soup and Soul Saturday, January 26, 2008 Location to be announced

Empty Bowls Soup and Soul is open to everyone and offers a tasty and entertaining way to combat hunger in our community with a variety of delicious homemade soups, breads and desserts. Information at 812.350.4646 or visit columbusemptybowls@comcast.net or www. artsINcolumbus.org Planting with the Pros Saturday, April 19, 2008 10am to 2pm Donner Center

Plan your spring garden at the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual garden show with horticultural exhibits, demonstrations, and speakers on a variety of garden topics plus lots of activities for the kids.

## SPECIAL EXHIBITS

October 16 to November 21
From the Marble Quarries of Italy to the Limestone of Indiana: The Legacy of an Italian Stone Carver
Artscape Gallery
The Commons
9am-5pm daily
Free

This exhibit is a tribute to the anonymous Italian immigrants who brought their carving artistry to America, many of them to southern Indiana. Based on the true stories chronicled in Carol Faenzi's *The Stonecutter's Aria*, the exhibit includes a collection of historical photographs, including monuments her ancestors carved, as well as the artisan's chisels. *The Stonecutter's Aria* was chosen as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Community Book Read.

November 1 to 3 Limestone Carving and Exhibit The Commons

Todd Frahm, limestone carver and sculptor from Bloomington will host this three-day outdoor limestone carving and exhibit of his work.

November 28 to December 27 Advantage One Photo Op '07 Artscape Gallery The Commons 9am-5pm daily Free

The digital and traditional photography in this exhibit are entries in Advantage One Imaging Center's photo contest, PHOTO OP '07. The award winners will be announced at the Commons Mall on November 30 at 7:30pm. The public is invited to attend.



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## The Stonecutter's Aria

Tuesday, October 23, 7 to 8:30pm

## The Commons

Cost is \$10 (students aged 18 and under \$2)
Inspired by genealogical research, Carol Faenzi's novel, The Stonecutter's Aria, is the true story of an Italian marble carver and opera tenor at the beginning of the 20th century. Chosen as the 2007 Community Book Read, this historical novel is based on the remarkable story of her Italian-American family. As part of her program, a live aria, performed by members of The Indianapolis Opera, and a staged reading from the book will also be presented.

From the Marble Quarries of Italy to the Limestone of Indiana: The Legacy of An Italian Stone Carver will be on exhibit at Artscape Gallery in The Commons, Oct. 16-Nov. 9.



